

Change to Rental Assistance Payment Schedule

Effective November 2013, the AHA will issue rental housing assistance payments twice monthly rather than every Thursday. The AHA's business practice has been to issue monthly rental housing assistance payments on or about the first of each month and to issue supplemental rental housing assistance payments each Thursday. Effective November 2013, the AHA will issue rental housing assistance payments on or about the first of each month and one supplemental payment mid month. This action will have minimal impact on participating property owners. Owners will continue to receive rental housing assistance payments in accordance with the terms of the Housing Assistance Payments contract. This action will eliminate two supplemental payment processes each month, which will reduce AHA administrative expenses. The AHA is aggressively seeking administrative efficiencies and administrative cost savings as a result of the Congress and HUD's reduction in administrative fee funding paid to public housing agencies. Administrative Fees were reduced by 31% in 2013 and are expected to be reduced further in 2014.